

Boston, March 23, 1852.

My Dear Friend:

(141) We have just received a final answer from Mr. Gay, at New York, as to the feasibility of holding the approaching annual meeting of the American Anti-Slavery Society in that city, and being protected in so doing; and it is to the effect, that it is idle and useless for us to make any effort in that direction.

At a meeting of the Executive Committee, just concluded, it has been unanimously resolved to hold the anniversary at Syracuse, on the 11th, 12th, and 13th of May; and I therefore hasten to apprise you of this fact, trusting our decision will be acceptable to the anti-slavery friends in your region in particular, and throughout the country generally. Wendell Phillips has promised to attend the meeting, where I hope we shall again have the pleasure of meeting with Gerrit Smith.

It has been in my heart and mind to write you many letters, but I am as incorrigible as ever on the score of epistolary correspondence. You are ever with me, in memory and affection. I deeply sympathize with you and your people in the loss you have jointly sustained by the destruction of your beautiful meeting-house, and trust all necessary aid will be forthcoming. Excuse my assault upon tall steeples.



We are all in very good health at home,  
and trust that you and yours are in the full enjoyment  
of the same unspeakable blessing. With the most loving regards  
to them all, and my fervent benediction, I remain, (writing  
in extreme haste,)

Your old and admiring friend,  
Wm. Lloyd Garrison.

Saml. J. May.



My dear Sir,

I wrote you a letter something more than a week ago touching the loss of your Church, and the course your Society would take in obtaining aid to re-build it. —

Our Committee (of ~~the~~ <sup>the</sup> A. S. Socy.) understood, some time since, that you had written to S. W. Gay in regard to the approaching Annual Meeting of the American A. S. Society being held at Syracuse. Notwithstanding the loss you & your Society have met with, we hope that arrangements may yet be made for our Meeting in Syracuse.

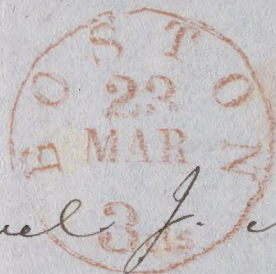
With much love, I am

Yours truly

Tuesday, 23<sup>d</sup> March.

Jam<sup>s</sup>. May Jr.





Rev. Samuel J. May

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Wm. L. Garrison  
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